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NATIONAL LIBRARIAN RECEIVES HONORARY DOCTORATE

Dalhousie University in Halifax conferred an honorary Doctorate of Laws on Marianne Scott, National Librarian, at its convocation on October 22, 1989. Dr. Scott gave the convocation address.

Dr. Scott has long been associated with law librarianship in her capacity as the former Director of the Law Library at McGill University, and as a member and officer of the Canadian Association of Law Libraries and the American Association of Law Libraries.

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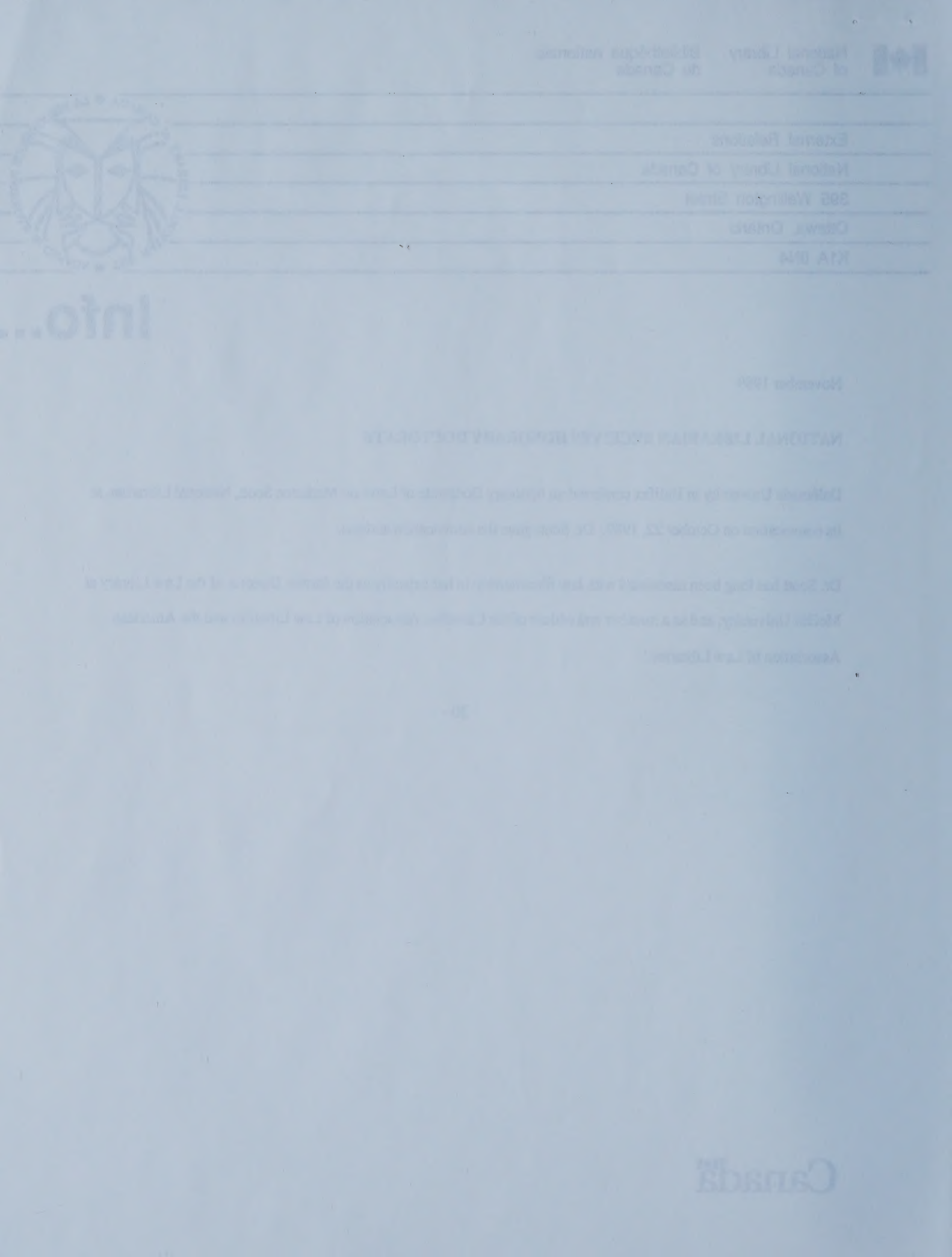

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APPOINTMENT

Effective October 16, 1989, Mr. Louis Forget was appointed Director, Information Technology Services. Mr. Forget replaces Mr. Gilles Saint-Pierre, who was appointed Acting Director of Information Technology Services on March 23, 1987.

Mr. Forget is responsible for the management of information technology services at the National Library, including the development and operation of information systems. He joined the National Library as a subject analyst in the Cataloguing Branch (now the Acquisitions and Bibliographic Services Branch) after graduating from the University of Montreal in 1964. In 1974, Mr. Forget was appointed Assistant Director (Systems) of the Research and Planning Branch and the Director of the Library Systems Centre in 1979. He was responsible for the Canadian DOBIS Working Group, and was project leader of the DOBIS evaluation project in Ottawa.

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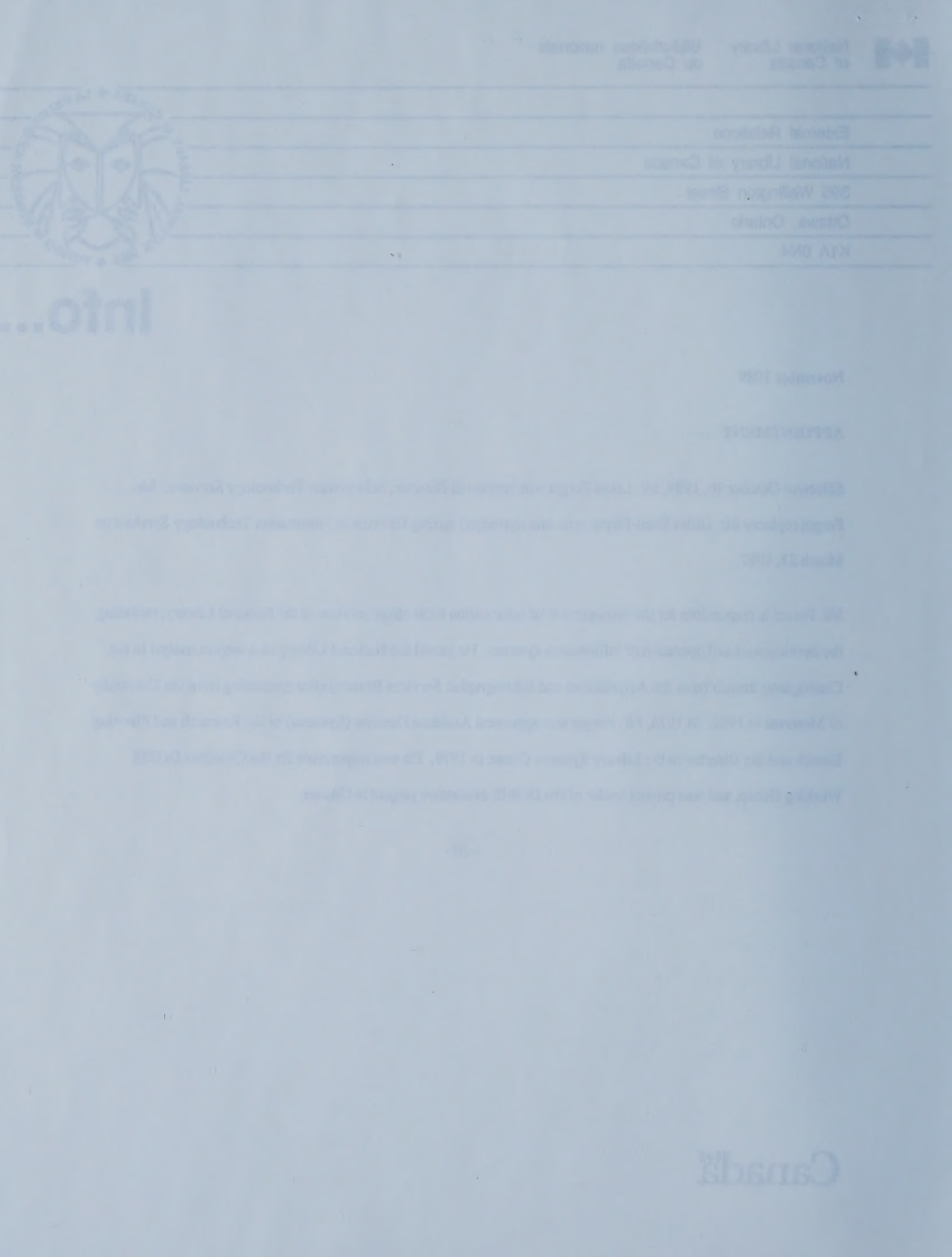

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NEW PARTICIPANT IN FELLOWS PROGRAM

The National Library is pleased to announce a new project to be done under the auspices of the Library's Fellows Program. Eirene Landon of York University will spend her sabbatical year considering possibilities for improving subject heading access to Canadian curriculum materials. The project is designed to investigate the current use of subject headings in educational resource centres and other libraries holding curriculum materials, determine solutions to identified problems, assess the impact of proposed solutions on the National Library's bibliographic services, and develop a strategic plan for implementing the solutions. The project is a response to a recommendation from the Advisory Group on National Library Services for Disabled Persons for improved subject access to CANUC:H.

Eirene Landon, the fourth participant in the Felllows Program, studied at the University of Manitoba and the University of Toronto. She worked at the University of Manitoba Library and Trinity College Library, University of Toronto prior to taking her current position in the cataloguing department of York University's Scott Library. She brings a number of special attributes to this project: a knowledge of the literature of education, which is one of her subject responsibilities at Scott Library; experience with the National Library's cataloguing policies, gained when York University Libraries became one of the first cataloguing agencies for the Canadian Cataloguing in Publication (CIP) Programme; and experience with French-language subject headings, with which she became familiar during a six-month job exchange with a librarian from Université Laval.

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The National Library's Fellows Program was established in 1986. It offers opportunities for library and information science professionals to work on projects of interest and benefit to the Canadian library community. If you would like to apply for the Fellows Program, contact: Director, External Relations, National Library of Canada, 395 Wellington Street, Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0N4. (Please note that the National Library provides working space, basic resources and staff expertise to assist Fellows, but cannot offer any funding for travel, living and other expenses.)

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EDUCATIONAL SUBJECT HEADINGS PROJECT

As part of its resource-sharing initiative, the National Library of Canada is undertaking a new project to improve subject access to Canadian educational materials.

This project was conceived by the Advisory Group on National Library Services for Disabled Persons. The Advisory Group was instrumental in creating and fostering the development of CANUC:H (Canadian Union Catalogue of Library Materials for the Print-Handicapped) at the National Library. While CANUC:H provides subject access to alternate-format materials (braille, talking books, and large print) developed and held by producers and libraries, it does not offer the subject access required by educational resource centres serving disabled students at the kindergarten through secondary school levels. Since all libraries with curriculum materials have the same subject access requirements, the project will benefit the entire Canadian library community.

The development of effective subject access will require extensive consultation with educational resource centres and university libraries holding curriculum materials to identify their current problems; development of solutions and an assessment of their impact on the bibliographic services provided by the National Library; and the preparation of a strategic plan for the implementation of the proposed subject headings by the National Library, educational resource centres, and libraries holding curriculum materials.

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A working group has been created to direct and coordinate the project. Members are Marie Matiaszow, Alberta Culture and Multiculturalism (chairperson); Judy Rannard, Manitoba Department of Education; Yves D'Aoust, Services documentaires multimédias, Montreal; and Alina Schweitzer, National Library.

The extensive work required by the project is being undertaken on behalf of the working group by Eirene Landon, York University, who has been appointed a Fellow at the National Library effective October 1989 to October 1990.

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DOCUMENT DELIVERY WORKING GROUP MEETS

The first meeting of the Document Delivery Working Group was held on September 7, 1989 at the National Library. The group, composed of librarians from across the country, met to discuss the development of an action plan for a nationally integrated document delivery service. At the first meeting the group reviewed current document delivery services, and identified possible alternatives for improving document delivery in Canada. These alternatives will be explored at future meetings.

It is expected that the final report and recommendations of the Document Delivery Working Group will be tabled early in 1990.

The members of the working group are:

Karen Adams, Saskatchewan Provincial Library;

Jane Clark, University of Toronto Library System;

Charles Cameron, Newfoundland Public Library Service;

Emil Daniel, Library, Agriculture Canada;

Tom Eadie, Ralph Pickard Bell Library, Mount Allison University;

Margaret Friesen, Library, University of British Columbia;

Emilie Lowenberg, Secretary, National Library of Canada;

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Carrol Lunau, National Library of Canada;

Valerie Mayman, Humanities and Social Sciences Libraries, McGill University;

Miriam McTiernan, Libraries and Archives Branch, Government of the Yukon;

Kathryn Mikoski, Canada Institute for Scientific and Technical Information;

Marie-Louise Simon, Bibliothèque municipale Saint-Laurent; and Grace Welch, Chair, National Library of Canada.

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TELEFACSIMILE DOCUMENT DELIVERY SERVICE

The National Library's Interlibrary Loan Division is extending its document delivery service via telefacsimile free of charge until December 29, 1989. The service was initiated earlier this year.

The National Library will send documents via telefacsimile in response to rush requests only at the request of the client library.

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